Introduced by Senator Torres

February 19, 2014

An act to amend Section 8241 of the Government Code, relating to state government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1098, as introduced, Torres. Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

Existing law creates within state government the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls, consisting of 17 members, including 6 Members of the Legislature, and 11 public appointees, as specified.

This bill would add the Deputy Secretary of Women Veterans Affairs in the Department of Veterans Affairs, as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8241 of the Government Code is amended 2 to read:
- 8241. (a) There is in the state government the Commission on
- 4 the Status of Women and Girls. The commission shall consist of
- 5 17 18 members to be appointed as follows:
- 6 (1) Three Members of the Senate and one public member 7 appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules.
- 8 (2) Three Members of the Assembly and one public member
- 9 appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

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 (3) One public member appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Chief of the Division of Industrial Welfare in the Department of Industrial Relations.

- (4) (A) Seven public members appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate.
- (B) One of these public members shall be a veteran or a member of the military.
- (5) The Deputy Secretary of Women Veterans Affairs in the Department of Veterans Affairs, who shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member.
- (b) The Members of the Legislature shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing powers.
- (c) Public member appointees of the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Committee on Rules, and appointees of the Governor shall serve four-year terms. All persons appointed pursuant to Section 2 of Chapter 1378 of the Statutes of 1965, as amended by Chapter 382 of the Statutes of 1973, shall continue in office until the expiration of their term and the appointment of their successors. The appointing powers may reappoint a member whose term has expired, and shall immediately fill any vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term in which it occurs. The appointing powers shall, in making appointments of public members to the commission, make every effort to ensure that there is a geographic balance of representation on the commission.
- 25 (d) All appointees shall hold office until the appointment of their successors.